

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3094
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2004
VACANT POSTS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether posts of Chairman and Members of Consumer Forums are lying vacant and district forums are lacking basic facilities in some States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SBRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a) to (c): The State-wise information made available by the National Commission in respect of vacant posts of Presidents/Members in the State Commissions and District Fora is given in Annexure.

The responsibility for proper functioning including providing infrastructure and basic facilities to the District Fora lies with the State Governments/U.T. Administrations.

Some of the steps taken for the monitoring of the vacant posts and strengthening the infrastructure of these agencies are as under:

(i) One time grant of Rs.61.80 crores sanctioned to the States/UTs by the Central Government to supplement their efforts to strengthen the infrastructure of the consumer disputes redressal agencies. Central Government is impressing upon the State Governments to utilize it optimally to augment the infrastructure as per scheme;

(ii) Monitoring of the working of consumer disputes redressal agencies including filling of vacant posts of the Presidents/Members through the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission;

(iii) States and Union Territories are requested from time to time to take prompt steps to fill up vacant posts of President/Member in the consumer disputes redressal agencies and maintain a panel of suitable candidates for appointment as Presidents / Members against future vacancies;

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3094 FOR 20/12/2004 REGARDING VACANT POSTS.

Sl. States State Commission District Forum As On

No. President Member President Member

1 Andhra Pradesh	0	0	2	20	30.6.2004
2 A & N Islands	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
3 Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	6	30.6.2004
4 Assam	0	1	0	20	30.6.2004
5 Bihar	0	1	7	20	30.6.2004
6 Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
7 Chattisgarh	0	0	0	4	30.6.2004
8 D&N Haveli/Daman & Diu	0	1	0	0	30.6.2004
9 Delhi	0	0	1	4	30.6.2004
10 Goa	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
11 Guirrat	0	0	2	7	30.6.2004
12 Haryana	1	0	1	1	30.9.2004
13 Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	1	30.9.2004

14	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	31.12.2003
15	Jharkhand	0	0	3	11	30.6.2004
16	Karnataka	0	0	4	1	30.6.2004
17	Kerala	0	1	3	3	30.6.2004
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	1	0	30.9.2004
19	Madhya Pradesh	0	0	1	28	30.9.2004
20	Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	30.9.2004
21	Manipur	1	2	0	0	31.1.2003
22	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	-
23	Mizoram	1	0	0	2	30.6.2004
24	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
25	Orissa	0	0	4	18	30.6.2004
26	Pondicherry	0	1	0	1	30.9.2004
27	Punjab	0	0	0	0	30.9.2004
28	Rajasthan	0	0	2	2	30.6.2004
29	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
30	Tamilnadu	0	1	9	9	30.6.2004
31	Tridura	0	0	0	0	30.6.2004
32	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	37	80	30.6.2004
33	Uttaranchal	0	0	1	6	30.6.2004
34	West Bengal	0	0	1	1	30.6.2004

Total	3	8	79	245
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